

# Westside Christian Wave Weekly

May 17, 2026

Have a great   
**SUMMER**



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## Family Devotions

Click the title of the devotion provided to view the full devotion and see the complete collection of Family Devotions online at [WELS.net](http://WELS.net). Questions are provided following the closing prayer to help with family discussion at home.

### [Celebrate Ascension: "Mission Accomplished!" – May 15, 2026](#)

#### **Read: Luke 24:44-53**

When he [Jesus] had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them. While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven. Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy. And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God (Luke 24:50-53).

## **Important reminders for the week**

You made it! Here's a few final reminders for the week.

### *☎ Medication pick-up*

If you have medication at school for your child, please stop by the Welcome Center to retrieve it no later than 11:30 AM on Wednesday.

### *This week's events*

Monday: 8th grade graduation begins at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary. All are invited.

Wednesday - The last day of school:

- We begin the day with Chapel. All are invited!
- Field Day is from 9:15 - 11:15 AM. Volunteers should check in at the Welcome Center.
- Students should wear their Westside Stride t-shirts.
- The school ends at 11:30 AM on 5/21 for **ALL** students.
- We do not offer school lunch or after school Extended Care on the last year of school.



### **Save the date: Mrs. Hong's retirement celebration**

After 44 years of faithful ministry, Mrs. Karen Hong is retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Hong has been a huge blessing to Westside, having served as a teacher here for 25 years. We are deeply grateful for her years of faithful service and the lasting impact she has had on so many students and families.

### *Retirement Party*

We are celebrating Mrs. Hong with a reception in her honor after the 10:30 AM service on Sunday, June 14. Mark your calendar now to join us for this joyful event.

### *Card box*

There is a card box by Mrs. Elhke's office if you would like to leave a note of congratulations or well-wishes.

### *Gathering memories*

We are also gathering memories that you have of your child's time with Mrs. Hong. If you would like to share a photo or a 2-3 sentence memory, please email it to: [ashley.renstrom@westside-christian.org](mailto:ashley.renstrom@westside-christian.org) by May 28.

## End Of Year Family Survey ... Let us know what you think!

We value your perspective and insight. As the 2025-26 school year wraps up, we kindly ask that you take a few minutes to provide us with your thoughts on how we're doing. We will apply your feedback to learn and grow in all areas, from academics to facilities.

You need only complete **one survey per family**. Answer the questions as they relate to each child in your household.

Survey link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfT6rKZJuWqj0ripVZF6jvY27ckjQ\\_vsPaf0JELWuHIsimQDw/viewform?usp=publish-editor](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfT6rKZJuWqj0ripVZF6jvY27ckjQ_vsPaf0JELWuHIsimQDw/viewform?usp=publish-editor)

## Children's Ministry Day July 8

# Follow Me

*A Summer Day with Jesus*

Garner Park  
3:30 - 7:00 PM  
Grades K - 6

St. Andrew is inviting Westside Christian families to *Follow Me - A Summer Day with Jesus*. Children in kindergarten – grade 6 are invited to Garner Park (333 S. Rosa Rd., Madison) on Wednesday, July 8, to follow Jesus. Children can be dropped off after 3:15 PM for a 3:30 PM start. At 5:30 PM, parents are invited to return for a hot dog cookout and celebration service. Register [HERE](#). If your 7th or 8th grader would like to help out, contact our Children's Ministry Director at [Emma.Nolte@westside.christian.org](mailto:Emma.Nolte@westside.christian.org).

**Junior Warrior Football** at Lakeside Lutheran High School offers area boys a Christ-centered, skill-building introduction to tackle football that prepares them to become future Warriors. Designed for athletes entering **6th–8th grade**, the program emphasizes fundamentals, teamwork, and sportsmanship under the guidance of committed Christian coaches. (5th graders - contact Mr. Leckwee if interested.) The **season begins with practices starting the week of August 3**, running Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings, followed by twice-weekly practices and Saturday games once the season kicks off on **August 22**. Teams play a seven-game schedule, wrapping up on **October 10**. Join the Junior Warrior program and build skills, confidence, friendships, and a strong athletic foundation grounded in faith.

**Registration:** [Register for Junior Warrior Football](#)

**More Information:** [Junior Warrior Football Program Details](#)

**Questions?** Reach out to head football coach Dennis Leckwee [dleckwee@llhs.org](mailto:dleckwee@llhs.org)

▼ **Sign up by May 26** ▼



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## Warrior summer camps for elementary grades

- Girls Basketball June 15-18
- Wrestling June 15-18
- Boys Basketball June 22-25
- Distance Running July 6-9  
and Track & Field
- Soccer June 29-July 1
- Boys Football June 29-July 1
- Girls Volleyball July 27-30

Register online for these & Jr. Warriors!  
Start at [llhs.org/K8sports](https://llhs.org/K8sports) or scan QR

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# { CALENDAR }

## OF EVENTS

## This Week

**MONDAY:** 8th grade graduation

**WEDNESDAY:** Last Day of School! | Q4 ends | Field Day (school ends at 11:30 for ALL students)



### May Lunch Menu\_2026.pdf

A printer-friendly version is located on Educate.

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### 2025 - 2026 Key Dates Calendar\_revised 012226.pdf

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## Family Handbook

## TADS (Enrollment and Billing Information)

## Educate (Parent Portal)

Announcements (Lunch Menus, Key Dates and School Calendar, etc.) | Course Documents | Events (general and grade-specific) | Student-Specific Information (Assignments and Grades, Attendance Record, Demographics)

### CONTACT US

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